Thursday, March 27, 2008

Public Works RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 27

Subject: Approve an ordinance amending Section 12-4-64(D) of the City Code to add a portion of Northwood Road to the list of streets having a maximum speed limit of 20 miles per hour during certain times for students attending Casis Elementary School and provide for emergency passage.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding of \$400 for the installation of signs is available in the 2007-2008 Child Safety Fund of the Department of Public Works.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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In order to modify or alter the existing speed limit of a street, the Texas Traffic Laws require that a traffic engineering investigation be performed. Traffic volumes, traffic speeds, and pedestrian volumes and patterns were evaluated by the Transportation Division of the Public Works Department to determine what, if any, modifications could be made to improve the safety of the students attending Casis Elementary School. As a result of this investigation the Transportation Division recommends adding the following to the City Code Section 12-4-64(D) (20 Mile Per Hour School Zones):

Amendment to Code Section 12-4-64(D) (20 MILE PER HOUR SCHOOL ZONES):

Add: Northwood Road from Exposition Boulevard to 700 feet west of Exposition Boulevard (Casis Elementary School).